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As the object of the American Board of Missions to the Jews is to reach the entire field of world Jewry, it is our desire and purpose to establish Mission stations in such important Jewish centers as may be in greatest need of a Gospel testimony, consistent with the Lord's will, as evidenced through His provision of workers and funds. This work of national evangelization of the Jews is further being accomplished by our Field Secretaries, who come into personal contact with Jews in their travels; also by means of letters, tracts and Gospels mailed to selected lists of Jewish names in practically every city and many towns of the United States; and finally by our Yiddish-English monthly paper, *The Shepherd of Israel*, which has a large circulation among the Jews in all parts of the world.

The plan of work for all stations calls for the maintenance of Gospel meetings for adults and children; a medical department to assist poor Jews; a Poor Fund to enable us to relieve the distress of deserving Jews and to give a practical demonstration of Christian love; a Literature Fund for the purchase of Hebrew Bibles and Testaments and to print tracts in English and Yiddish. Mr. Cohn has written eight Jewish tracts which God has used to the conversion of many.

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an American he may be a Republican, a Democrat, a Socialist, or a Communist. In New York, when the Republican party sought a popular man to run against Governor Lehman, a Jew, they nominated another Jew, Robert Moses, Park Commissioner of New York City. In New York, out of 542 bank directors, only 40 bear Jewish names, and most of them are members of one distinctly Jewish bank. Not one of the 17 officers of the New York Stock Exchange is a Jew.

Far from being in control, the social exclusion to which Jews are subjected ultimately means economic discrimination. Jews realize that two roads are open to equality: the amassing of money, and the cultivation of talent. It is undoubtedly for the latter reason that Jews crowd the universities, that even the poorest Jew tries to give his son an education at any sacrifice. Learning, Mr. Sokolsky maintains, is still the Jew's greatest defense against discrimination, his surest road to equality. How we wish he knew the saving and equalizing power that the Jew must eventually find in the only solution to his problem—the Lord Jesus Christ!

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The "time of Jacob's trouble" seems to be drawing nearer with every pass-

ing day. Sometimes the news is discouraging and distressing, and again reassuring and heartening. But of whatever nature—good or bad—the news is always coming as inevitably as God's prophecies unfold in their fulfillment. The Jew, as someone has said, is God's timepiece. As he fares, so fares the world in these latter days. No wonder the eyes of the world are upon him.

Anti-Semite Streicher, in his vile sheet, *Der Stuermer*, publishes a new slogan which is significantly ominous in the light of Bible prophecy. It runs: "The League of Nations of the future is a League of Nations against the Jews."

Even in England, where kindness to the Jew has been the rule for nearly three centuries, the tide of anti-Semitism is rising. In reply to a question raised recently in Parliament concerning Jew-baiting in Hackney, Sir John Simon replied that special steps had been taken by the police to deal with the matter. He was at present in consultation with the Commissioner on the question as to whether any further measures were necessary and could be devised which would put a stop to incidents which everyone agreed could not be tolerated.

—Trusting and Toiling.

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Salutation

"We go down to salute the Children of the King"—II Kings 10:13

Dearly beloved friends:

With a heart overflowing with praise and thanksgiving, we greet you once more in the name of the Lord. I come to you in the spirit of Gen. 48:15, 16, "God, before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did walk, the God which fed me all my life long unto this day, The Angel which redeemed me from all evil." This gracious God has truly blessed me, and guided me, and protected me, during a summer of travels many and fearful. It was only a few days before I left New York for our European fields that a dearly beloved friend sent me in a letter these precious words of Christian love, "I shall pray for you unceasingly as you go out upon a most difficult and dangerous journey." What this friend wrote was echoed hundreds of times in various phrasings by the large host of beloved friends whom the Lord has united together into one great family for fellowship in behalf of His ancient people, still beloved for the fathers' sakes.

I am back and no harm has befallen me. My heart is so full of things to report that the words come out tumbling, and, I am afraid, jumbling. There is so much to say and so little space to say it in. I am going to try to tell you as much as possible, and I know you will forgive any lack of sequence or even orderly reasoning; for I shall speak to you just as the words come to me, and as though you were sitting opposite me in your easy chair.

I VISIT GERMANY TOO

Let me say then that the summer's trip included the carefully planned visit to Poland, a few days with our workers in Paris, consultations with Jewish Christian brethren in London, and a wholly unexpected venture into Germany. Perhaps the week spent in Germany will, during the next few months, stand out as the climax, or most important event, of my European travel this summer. Germany is just now on the front pages of the world newspapers, and, for this reason, you would probably rather hear first about the situation there.

In London I had consultations with some Jewish Christian brethren who had only recently visited Germany, and these brethren begged me by all means not to skip Germany in my missionary tour. As one put it, "You simply must see for yourself the conditions of the Jews there; no amount of reading or description will bring the picture so closely home to you as by actually going there, seeing with your own eyes, and hearing with your own ears."

So, I took courage, and placing full reliance upon the sure promises of God that He would protect me, I made the venture. Truly what I saw and what I experienced fully justified the urgings of my brethren in London. Because of the efficient espionage system of the Nazis in all parts of the world, I dare not tell you even the names of the cities in Germany I visited. I dare not tell you the names of the Jewish Christian families with whom I had fellowship. I dare not tell you the amounts of money that we were able to dispense so as to bring relief to such pitiful need as can scarcely be described by the printed page. The cruel heel of Hitler hate is grinding hard on the Jewish Christian in Naziland, and I would feel myself guilty of an everlasting crime if I should say one thing or offer a single clue that could be used to increase the oppression under which our Jewish brethren are now suffering yonder.

COURTESY AND HOSPITALITY URGED

Let me say, however, that as for myself, I received the utmost courtesy and hospitality. It seemed sometimes as though the German officers went out of their way to show me kindness. I think the magic sesame must have been my American passport, for it certainly could not have been the Semitic cast of my countenance.

I was there just on the eve of the Olympic Games. In the cities I visited, the Nazis had put on a very fine window display. Every billboard, of which there had been literally thousands previously, casting reflection upon the Jews, had been scrupulously removed, and there was not a trace of them anywhere. In the south of Germany, however, I was told by tourists whom I met afterwards in Italy, the signs were still up, and many of them were not only indecent, but in some cases obscene. On these billboards the Jew is made out to be the vilest character on the face of the earth, and it is widely publicized that he who has dealings with the Jew is committing "rassenschand," by which it is meant that any dealing with a Jew is a disgrace and a shame to the German race. But in the sections I visited these signs had been carefully removed. Also, that infamous sheet published by Streicher, called "Der Stuermer," was nowhere to be bought—it had actually been suppressed for the duration of the Olympic Games, including a few weeks before and a few weeks after. The daily papers were plentifully supplied by the Ministry of Propaganda with articles imploring the German people to keep in mind that now Germany was to be host to the world, that thousands of strangers were coming to Germany from all parts of the world, that the German people must show these strangers, regardless of who they were (I suppose this phrase must have had an obscure reference to the Jews) the utmost courtesy and hospitality. In short, Germany was on parade, and Germany was anxious to impress the world with her fine culture and her lovely spirit. All eyes and hearts throughout Germany were made to turn on the Olympic Games. By such means Hitler has been able to hold on. He must always divert the attention of the populace to some new center of excitement. At one time it may be Jew-hate, at another it may be the Olympics; he must keep on inventing new attractions.

PITIFUL BONDAGE

The German people with whom I talked, not Jews, were quite willing to tell me in no uncertain tones of their abject fear, and of their condition of bondage to the cruel barbarism of Hitler and his horde. But this they would only do in the secrecy of a private room when positive that no one was listening.

I could give you many pictures of conditions in Germany, political and economic, but there is no space; I must devote myself to telling you of the Jewish situation and particularly of the pitiful condition of the Jewish Christians there. For Israel is indeed a beaten and battered people in Germany. Of course, the American Jewish Committee is doing much to bring relief to the most destitute of the Jews, especially to the full blooded Jews of the first generation. Those who are half Jews do not receive the same prior attention from these disbursement funds that the full blooded Jew receives. When it comes to the Jewish Christian he is indeed in the most pitiful and heartbreaking condition of all. For the Jews themselves look upon these Jewish Christians with a double contempt; first, because they originally gave up Judaism and accepted the Lord Jesus Christ, and, secondly, because they have been ruthlessly thrown out of the churches. The professing Christian among the Aryans, even if he wants to, dares not lift a hand to help these unfortunate brethren.

NO MALICE — ONLY MUTE AGONY

It was among these Christian Jews that we were able to carry forward our ministry of relief. I climbed the stairs into many an apartment building and with Jewish Christian brethren visited the homes of some of the most desperate cases. I saw for myself such mute agony of suffering as I think I shall never be able to describe adequately. There were looks on human faces like the mute appeal in the eyes of a dying dog. Not once did I hear a word of vituperation against Hitler, or against the Nazis. To my astonishment these Jewish believers

JEWISH NOTES

Recent newspaper stories concerning disturbances in Palestine say that 19 weeks of Arab terror and violence in that country have resulted in the murder of over 80 Jews and the widespread destruction of Jewish enterprises. The Arab "higher committee" which has been fomenting these disturbances is trying just now to force suspension of Jewish immigration.

The fundamental cause of the unrest in Palestine today is Arab jealousy of Jewish enterprise. The country of Palestine has been in possession of the Arabs for centuries and as the land was when they found it, so it is today. When the Jew came in and offered to buy an Arab's land for money, he sold out and went on a spending spree. Some time later, his land and money gone, he observes the Jew has put the land under cultivation and is prospering. He thinks he has been outwitted—why didn't the Jew tell him how he could do that? Hence his anger and envy toward the Jew.

There are today about 400,000 Jews in Palestine and about twice as many Arabs. Even if immigration were to be suspended for a long period of time, which is unlikely in view of Britain's promise to continue it, the Jews are a prolific people and would multiply as they did in ancient Egypt. God has ordained that His chosen people shall be restored to the land promised to them, and restored they shall be. So in spite of riot, persecution, bloodshed, and every evil devised by man and Satan, nothing can eventually hinder the return of Israel to her homeland.

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The official Government figures of the religious population of Palestine, based on the census of 1931, are interesting, according to an item published in *Pentecost in Palestine*:—

Atheists	421
Samaritans	182
Bahais	350
Druzes	9,148
Christians	91,398
Jews	174,610
Moslems	759,712

Under the classification of Christians, it must be explained, there are included Roman Catholics, Greek Catholics, Coptic Churches, Armenian Churches, Anglicans, etc. We suppose that Evangelicals would number a handful.

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Enemies of Israel and those whose business it is to foster anti-Semitism have long harangued on the argument that Jews were the founders and organizers of the Communist party and are today its active leaders.

The World Communist Movement, as everyone knows, is a part of the Soviet Government of Russia. What a disappointment it must have been to those who have been claiming that the Communist Party is so overwhelmingly made up of Jews, to read the account of the recent trial in Moscow of the 16 conspirators against the Soviet Government, and their subsequent execution by way of the firing squad. For, according to the names of the conspirators and those against whom they plotted, there were undoubtedly a number of Jews on both sides. Therefore, the Jews on one side were plotting against the Jews on the other!

This is in line with the contention we have often made that Jews are not united as a class but are invariably divided against themselves in their interests and activities.

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Jewish domination in American Government is a myth, according to George Sokolsky, author, lecturer, and correspondent, who recently wrote an illuminating article on this subject for the *American Magazine*. There has been constant emphasis, he says, on the large number of Jews in President Roosevelt's entourage. This claim, he shows, is not in accordance with the facts. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., is the only Jew in the Cabinet. He has never been associated with Jewish life, and no Jew would consider the elder or younger Morgenthau a leader. No Jew outside the Cabinet heads any principal agency of the New Deal. The one Jew who has been singled out as the stepfather of the New Deal, Felix Frankfurter, has not been in the United States during much of the Roosevelt administration. Bernard Baruch has never played even the slightest role in Jewish life. Jews holding important secondary positions in Washington were for the most part permanent officials before Mr. Roosevelt was elected.

There is not a single large-scale enterprise owned by Jews that does not employ more Gentiles than Jews.

Moreover, Mr. Sokolsky points out that the Jew does not require leadership. He has nothing to be led to. As

trouble makers were asked to leave, the discipline was improved greatly and we ended with a fine attentive class. God has all the glory for the working, for it was in answer to prayer that things cleared as they did. The boys showed wonderful attention during our Bible lessons and several were very faithful in memorizing the Scripture verses given each week.

We had the pupils write out what the five weeks of school had meant to them. Here are only two of the fine testimonies given by our boys:—

"I accepted Christ some time ago, and was baptized. But I have gotten more knowledge of the Gospel." R. H.

"I accepted Jesus Christ one year ago. I have gotten a great deal more this summer because not everything was clear to me, but now I have made a stand for Jesus. These weeks have helped me to love and trust the Lord Jesus Christ." S. B. K.

To God all the praise and glory for the things that have been accomplished.

My Class of Girls

By MISS MARY WRIGHT

"The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped" (Ps. 28:7).

This is my testimony after being privileged to work for the first time with our Lord's chosen people. Mine was a class of girls whose ages ranged from nine to twelve.

One of the most blessed experiences in the five weeks was the marvelous way that our Lord answered prayer in behalf of one of my girls. She was the most difficult child that I have had to deal with in my years of experience as a teacher. How we prayed that God might make her quiet, attentive, reverent, take away her mean, despicable ways—and completely transform her life as only He could do! God did hear and honored our faith for He wrought a wonderful change in that

child's life. She was completely changed in her attitude both toward me and the other children.

Two of my girls accepted the Lord as their Saviour and Messiah. The other girls in the class had all accepted the Lord at some previous time.

The following are a few of the testimonies written at the close of the Bible School:

"I have learned more than I knew before. I got more blessing this year."

"I have learned to love Him better and better each day."

"I have gotten more strength from prayer. I have learned more about Christ. I have greater faith in the Lord Jesus Christ."

This is my prayer, that God will continue to work in the lives of these little ones.

Clothing Needed

We are now in special need of clothing for our poor people. The need is particularly felt for men's clothing and shoes. If you have clothing in wearable condition, won't you send it to us? Pack it in box or barrel, but prepay the express charges if you please! Address the package to us at 27 Throop Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., and be sure and send us a postal card or a letter to announce that the box or barrel is coming.

We Lose a Friend

Our beloved brother, Rev. W. H. Pike, passed away during the summer, in Los Angeles, Calif. Years ago he was one of the leaders in establishing the Bible School in Binghamton, N. Y. At that time, while our mission was undergoing severe trials and testings, it was this brother who championed our cause and stood by us. He took, with us, the fiery darts of the enemy. In his home-going we lose a friend more precious than silver or gold.

expressed not a syllable by way of resentment or hate. They simply accept the situation and are doing their utmost to find the way out. I have with me a number of descriptions of individual cases, with all of the circumstances back of each case, fully detailed. They make heartbreaking reading. Just the few I have would take a booklet fully three times the size of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE to print. To mention just one case: I called on a Jewish Christian brother who lived on the fourth floor of an apartment house. He was about 45, had been born in Germany and lived there all his life. He presented the appearance of a professional man—tall, erect, of fine build, and bearing in his face every evidence of culture. His wife likewise was a woman of culture and refinement. They and their five children were living in two rooms. Before the Hitler regime he had been employed as a chemical engineer in a large plant, and was receiving 10,000 marks a year salary. Four years ago his troubles began. During this time he has not had one day's work. The factory payrolls in Germany are inspected regularly, and if any non-Aryan employees are found thereon, they are dismissed at once and in some cases the employer is punished. For four years this Jewish Christian brother has lived in these rooms wondering how it will all end. His money is gone, he simply cannot get a job, leaving Germany is hopelessly out of the question for he has not the money with which to go. The Nazi theory is that all Jews must be forbidden to work or to engage in business, and according to the Nuremberg laws which were passed last spring, there is a dead line fixed for October of this year, when every Jew who owns even the smallest store, must sell out for any price that he can get. You can well imagine that the Jew will get precious little for his business or his property under such conditions. By the first of October, therefore, every Jew will have to be out of employment and out of business and every Jew will then cease to be eligible for any profession or vocation by which he may earn a livelihood. The German government then takes the position that the Jews are to be the "guests" of Germany. Jews who are married and have families are to receive a dole from the government based on the number of children in the family. The particular family I visited was receiving a dole of 85 marks a month, which even at the high par value of the mark of forty cents would mean about \$34.00. Of this amount they were obliged to pay sixty marks, or about \$24 of our money, as rent for the two rooms. Jews must pay high rents. Thus this poor brother and his family had twenty-five marks, or \$10, on which to live for the entire month. I marvel that he had not lost his mind and jumped out of his fourth story window a long time ago. Many thousands of Jews have actually committed suicide in Germany during these last four years.

My heart was keenly touched as I looked upon this pitiful situation. On the wall of the room hung a needlework poem:

Der Vater sorgt, mit vieler Müh,
Für seine Kinder spät und früh.

Translated into English, it would read "The Father cares with much exertion for His children late and early." I thought to myself, what a sublime faith this brother had and how he put me to shame.

THE APPALLING COST OF MOVING

As I left this home the mother and father clung to me, and once more I saw in their faces the pitiful longing of the mute animal, hoping against the hopeless. It was hard to keep back the tears amid a scene like this. The only physical remedy in a case of this sort is to pick the entire family up bodily, put them on a steamship for Montevideo, South America—the one city in the world which just now is open to the Jews. But this would require anywhere from \$500 to \$1,000 for one family, an impossible investment when there are so many, many Jewish Christian families in the same condition, who are actually without food and without clothing. Thus, they are in a condition that must lead in many cases to insanity or self-destruction. They cannot leave Germany for they have no money; and they cannot stay in Germany for they are not allowed to work nor to engage in gainful occupation of any kind. Even those few Jews that were fortunate enough to quit Germany in the earlier years were compelled to

forfeit two-thirds of their possessions upon leaving. For the law is that the Jew who sells out and wants to go to another country may only take with him one-third of his money, and the rest is confiscated to the Nazis. We wonder that a God whose patience with Sodom and Gomorrah was finally exhausted so that he came down and rained fire and brimstone upon them, can suffer so patiently at the present hour the cruelties and savageries of a twentieth century civilization calling itself Germany. What an outpouring of His fury there must be some day!

WE HELP THE HELPLESS

I gave money, in as generous sums as our dear friends here in America had enabled me, to the most important centers for the immediate relief of the most destitute cases of Jewish starvation. I was baffled and bewildered in the face of the stupendous need, and I cried out in my soul, "Who is sufficient for these things?" The more I pondered over the sadness of it all, the more I found myself reaching a condition of despair, and saying to myself "What is the use?" For I realized that it would take literally millions of dollars to make even a slight approach to a solution of so staggering a problem. Of course I knew that we simply have not access to these millions of dollars. Yet in that very condition of despair, I sought for a foundation on which to rest a Christian philosophy, and then remembered that when the Lord Jesus Christ was in Jerusalem two thousand years ago, there was also much suffering, poverty, and sickness, and many lame, halt, blind, and afflicted with leprosy. But the Lord did not despair, nor did He attempt to take the whole generation of men and lift them out of the quagmire of their individual agonies; He contented Himself with taking an individual here, and an individual there, and lifting him out of the miry clay. So I thought to myself, what more can we do than just that? And does the fact that we cannot cure the ills of the whole Jewish nation excuse us from helping one here and one there? With that new vision, I took courage and went forward.

My space is nearly exhausted. I would love to tell you of days spent in Paris, and the wonderful week of ministry with Brother Gitlin in Warsaw. But will you not allow me to keep that for future reports to you in these columns? In what space remains, let me give you a brief summary of my impressions from a world political view, for I know that many of our friends would like to have this also, and to hear a word about the coming kingdom.

CATASTROPHE AHEAD

We are nearer to world catastrophe than we ever have been since 1914. Germany is armed to the teeth. Demonstrations are being given daily of military power. Hundreds of aeroplanes, bombers, pursuit planes, etc., etc., are to be seen flying in beautiful and awe-inspiring formations over the heads of the Teutons as they gaze into the skies and wonder when the war will break out. For war there will be, and war Hitler must have if he is to survive. In hushed whispers I was told by Jews and Aryans alike, that a terrible outbreak and a new era of horrors is expected to be poured out upon the Jews as soon as the Olympics are finished and the foreigners have gone to their respective homelands. This may be Hitler's next effort to throw off the dissatisfied cries of the multitude and turn attention once more upon the helpless Jew. If this fails, the next step is war. Everywhere one hears that within six months Germany will be fully ready to fight. I stood in the Karntnerring in Vienna one evening at seven o'clock. The Olympic torch bearer was carrying his relay into the heart of Vienna; and there another relay runner was waiting to light his torch and then speed on his way for the next mile; and so on until the last relay runner would reach the Olympic stadium at the moment of the opening of the games and hand his lighted torch to Hitler. The boulevard in Vienna was crowded beyond description. There before one's eyes came marching thousands upon thousands of the youth of Austria, following the Olympic torch bearer. They were led in detachments by drum corps, fife corps, brass bands, flaming torches, and all the paraphernalia of a parade. As they ran in dog-trot form, there arose to the heavens above in thunderous tumult the one phrase, repeated over and over, "Heil Hitler! Heil Hitler! Heil Hitler!" It is hard to describe the terror that

given a slip of paper on which were the following sentences: "I have accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour"; or, "I have not accepted Jesus Christ as my Saviour." "Tell how these five weeks of instruction in God's Word has been a blessing to your own life and what you have gotten from coming to Bible School." Many answers were given. Believers had their faith strengthened and received a blessing to their soul as Miss Rose made the lessons so real. Others were convinced that Jesus is the Messiah and wrote that their questions had been satisfied. One mother wrote, "These weeks of Bible study brought me closer to the Lord." Some said they could not say that they accepted Christ. Another whose father passed away during the first week of our school wrote, "Hearing God's Word explained so simply, I learned to love God more, and perhaps I will learn to believe in Jesus." We have been much in prayer for our class and the entire school and know God promised that His Word would not return to Him void.

Primary Children Learn to Play and Pray

By MISS JUDITH FUCHS

The Primary Department this year was a busy and a happy class consisting of boys and girls of seven years of age and under. They were busy playing, singing, and learning from God's Word. They met with the entire school for the opening exercises and then went to their own room for the remainder of the morning.

As soon as they reached their own room the children played games. Many mornings they had free play. This meant that they chose any toy and could play any game they liked. Other mornings the play period consisted of organized games. After playing awhile they were glad to have their hands washed and to lay their heads on the table for a brief rest period. While the youngsters were resting, my helper and I had time to get ready the crackers and milk which they had every day. How eagerly the children looked forward to this part of the morning! Before they ate they bowed their heads and closed their eyes to sing the chorus of "Father, I Thank Thee."

THE FAITH OF A CHILD

After they finished they brought their chairs and formed a circle around the piano for the worship period. What a blessed time this was and what wonderful lessons the teacher learned from the children, especially from their prayers. They prayed so sweetly and earnestly that an older person listening just longs that his faith might be the simple child-like faith of these tots. It was indeed, a privilege to hear some pray for the first time in Jesus' name. In this period they learned several new motion choruses which they sang quite heartily. They had the same Bible lessons (Old Testament Geography and History) as the rest of the school, adapted to primary age. The stories were made more interesting because of a new sand-table which proved to be a real help in holding the children's interest. For their memory work they had the Ten Commandments.

After the worship they had their homework. The girls who were old enough, embroidered simple little aprons. There were mats for the older boys to weave. The younger ones had other things to do. They had new wooden beads to string or modeling clay with which to play. Often they made things with construction paper, or pasted and colored pictures. Part of their homework was the building of a Palestinian village for the sand-table.

It was then time for them to join the entire school for the closing exercises, after which they went home.

I am so happy for the opportunities for testimony that arose this past summer. I am glad, too, that we can testify to these little ones, and that where we lack the ability to make the Gospel message clear, God's Spirit will help and will guide until the message becomes a reality and a testimony in the lives of even the youngest of these. Thank God, that the Messiah of Israel can save the very youngest of the children of Israel.

Report of Boys' Work

By W. I. ROBERTS

"But the word of the Lord endureth forever" (1 Peter 1:25). Truly God did work in our class of boys, because His Word was faithfully given out.

The first two weeks with the boys were difficult ones, but after several

type, that God will open their understanding.

A girl who has been a believer for some time, said: "The teaching has made me believe more than ever in the Bible. The truth about the Lord's coming is given in the Old Testament, and in the New He came. I try hard to tell others about Him, most of all the Jews." Praise God for believing Israel!

Does it pay to serve Jesus? Indeed it does! The blessing to our own souls as ministers of the Word was far beyond words.

The closing program for each morning sent us away with the presence and blessing of God still in our hearts. After reciting our school motto, "The Word of the Lord Endureth Forever," with correlating mottoes for each department, we closed by softly singing a benediction such as:—

Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way
With Thee began, with Thee shall end the day.
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
That in this house have called upon Thy name. Amen.

The closing days of our blessed time together consisted of a picnic at the beach on August 5th and a program on August 6th at which time a talented servant of God, gifted in object teaching, gave us an inspiring lesson on the subject "From Death to Life," showing Jesus as the bridge. It made a most fitting climax to our fundamental teaching in the things of God.

Walking with a faithful God through five weeks of Summer Bible School is peace, joy, happiness and fruitfulness!

Stewards of the Manifold Grace of God

By MISS A. E. SUSSDORFF and
MISS DOROTHY ROSE

Moreover "it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful" (I Cor. 4:2). So we prayed earnestly for our 1936 D. V. B. S. that we might obey the Old Testament exhortation . . . "and he that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully" (Jer. 22:28).

The fifteen-minute memory period gave rich opportunity to store away precious Scripture gems in the heart. One would think that Jewish boys and

girls and mothers would know the Ten Commandments, but when asked, not one in the school could say them all. Therefore, we learned the Commandments and then memorized New Testament verses that show our sin and need of a Saviour. "And this is his commandment, that we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment" (I John 3:23). We learned the books of the Old Testament together with the summary of their contents. By the question and answer method we learned outline facts of Old Testament history from Abraham to the return from the captivity.

MOTHERS COME ALSO

The opportunity of giving the gospel to the Jewish mothers is one for which we praise God. It is the usual thing for children to attend a D. V. B. S., but our Mission has a department for mothers. In the five-week period we had 31 mothers enrolled with a daily average of 24. The power of the gospel is demonstrated by the fact that these women came to the Mission, morning after morning, in spite of the opposition of the Evil One, added to the responsibility of household duties, and care of children in hot weather. How well we realize that it is "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts" (Zech. 4:6).

The mothers enjoyed the lessons in Old Testament history because they brought back to them many stories they had learned as children. In the testimony meeting several women said that they had memorized many things in Hebrew school but never had any explanation of their spiritual meaning until they came to the Mission. Only the New Testament and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ can make plain the Old Testament lessons. This proves the truth of the saying about the Bible, "The New is in the Old concealed; the Old is in the New revealed."

All of our mothers understand English but many can grasp the spiritual meaning of the words better when spoken in their native tongue—Yiddish. After Miss Rose taught the lesson in English, the mothers looked forward to the review of the lesson that Miss Sussdorff gave in Yiddish.

"PERHAPS I WILL LEARN"

At the close of our D. V. B. S. each member of the mother's class was

seized one's heart while watching this wild demonstration. On the sides of the boulevard, on the pedestrian parkways, there were many of the conservatives who have only contempt for Hitler and who in a timid way, booed these "Heil Hitlers." But they were soon squelched by other spectators. Unquestionably the youth of Austria has been Hitlerized. What the future holds must be terrorizing to any one who understands these Nazi movements in Central Europe. I realized with a fresh emphasis that we are most surely in the days described in Daniel 2:37-45. "Thou art this head of gold!" Daniel rang out into the ears of Nebuchadnezzar. Then Daniel describes how the human race, nation after nation, will deteriorate, until finally we shall come to the toes of that image, iron mixed with clay. "They shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay." This is what I saw throughout Europe this past summer. It is the mob rising in its inconsistency, and mad arrogance; it is the mob, whether we call it Fascism, or Communism, or dictatorship or by any other name. It is all exactly as the Scripture has foretold, the iron mixed with miry clay, a fitting term for the filth of the mob of the street. Incidentally, those who seek to make the poor helpless Jew the scape-goat for the ills of the world, must be indeed stupidly ignorant of God's prophetic pronouncements. Then happily I read the 44th verse of this same chapter in Daniel, and my heart was cheered, for those words told me, "In the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed." This is the assurance that we as God's children have for these black days. The setting up of that kingdom is surely at hand. I wrote to you last May that perhaps we would never see another October here upon this earth. But if God allows us to reach October, it will not invalidate His promise that He will soon set up the kingdom that shall never be moved. It means only that we must thank Him for the privilege of a few days more of service for Him and in behalf of His people Israel.

WE ARE BRINGING RELIEF

I made arrangements for liberal relief moneys to be sent to Paris regularly each month. This will be used to take care of the refugee Jews who are living there, concerning whom I may tell you more next month. Relief money will also be sent to important centers in Germany; and also to Warsaw, for a greatly enlarged work to be carried on under our Brother Gitlin. I say nothing just now about Warsaw because we did tell you a good deal about the work there in May, and I want to tell you more about it in the next number of our paper, or possibly the one after that.

Turning for a moment to the home field may I report to you the joy of my heart to find upon my return to America that the Lord had watched over the work of your Mission as a hen looks after the welfare of her chicks. In other pages of this issue you will find a full account of the Daily Vacation Bible School here in Brooklyn. Every other branch of our Mission has been similarly blessed during these summer months, as later reports will show. For your part you put your shoulder under the load, and came to our help in a way that can only be described as magnificent. The financial report on another page will tell you the story, and our eyes sometimes fill with tears as we realize how deeply you love us and how much this work means to you. The only result of this is that we shall strive the more diligently to discharge the trust you have placed in us, to push the battle flag which the Lord has given us out into new frontiers, and give a full account of the stewardship you have entrusted to us, so that each dollar will do its full measure of duty in making the Gospel known to Israel who is so soon to blunder and stagger into an agony such as the world has never seen before. The battle flag we shall carry forward is the one that says, "There is no salvation for Jew or Gentile apart from the Lord Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, Saviour and coming King." Just as rapidly as you continue to place these generous funds in our hands, we shall advance the work on all fronts.

There is no room to tell you about much that we are doing and planning but we shall do so from time to time. For your trust in us and your devoted friendship, we are ever thanking Him.

Gratefully yours in His service,

JOSEPH HOFFMAN COHN.

INCIDENTS IN THE WORK

Our Missionary Reports Treacherous Dealings in Jerusalem

Frank L. Boothby, our missionary in Jerusalem, in a recent letter speaks affectingly of events now transpiring in Palestine, implying that the things of which he writes are but surface indications of other and more ominous events of deeper import. He says, "It may be that we shall soon be able to shout with the Prophet Isaiah, 'From the uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, even glory to the righteous. But I said, My leanness, my leanness, woe unto me! the treacherous dealers have dealt treacherously; yea, the treacherous dealers have dealt very treacherously' (Is. 24:16). Truly, 'the treacherous dealers (Arabs) have dealt treacherously' with the Government of Palestine, with Israel, and with all law-abiding citizens. For 'Fear, and the pit, and the snare, are upon thee, O inhabitant of the earth (land)' (v. 17)."

Mr. Boothby enclosed with his letter a number of clippings from the "Palestine Post" which, he writes, are a sequel to a part of his article in "The Chosen People" of March 1936, page 10. In that article he described how the long-promised water supply for the city of Jerusalem had at last become a fact. Now we read in the clippings he sent us of "an Arab strike and malicious damage" to this water supply. The newspaper account says "Jerusalem is now faced with a serious water shortage. A part of the pipeline was again blown up yesterday and owing to recent damage no water from this source has reached Jerusalem during the last four days." Following this, a later report says the damage was repaired and "all pumping stations have been working at full pressure."

The prayers of God's people need to be offered daily for the "peace of Jerusalem" during these perilous days.

Five Weeks of Daily Vacation Bible School with a Faithful God

By MISS IRMA C. COLLIGNON

With the faith of Proverbs 3:5-6 in our hearts, and with constant prayer upon our lips, a group of six workers sought to plan and carry out another Summer Bible School for our Jewish children and mothers. How wonderfully God proved His goodness and faithfulness to us we cannot attempt to place in writing. Our hearts rejoiced with joy unspeakable as we saw God deal with us according to His promise.

Our school began on July 6th with a fine attendance that held its own during the entire five weeks. The powerhouse and enabling force of our school was our morning prayer-meeting, held before the scholars entered the building. At this time, we praised God for our opportunities of serving Israel and poured out our petitions and needs of our people into His ever-attentive and sympathetic ear. What precious fellowship was ours as teachers, banded together for the sole purpose of making the only Messiah and Saviour known to God's chosen ones.

THE INDWELLING CHRIST

A panorama of our daily activities may help the reader to visualize our work of love for Christ and of His working through us. The opening worship service was arranged primarily with the idea of instilling a reverence for a Holy God in an assembly of His people. To that end, we repeated verses of Scripture and sang hymns of worship, such as "Oh! Worship the King," "All Hail the Coming Son of God," "All People That on Earth Do Dwell," and "Come, Sound His Praise Abroad." Since this period was the responsibility of the superintendent, I built my devotions for each day around the theme, "God's Dwelling Places Among Men," namely, the tabernacle in the wilderness, the Lord Jesus

Christ, and the believer in Christ. Using the tabernacle with its great lessons of a Holy God and a sinful people as a basis, I showed its fulfillment in the holy, sinless Son of God who alone is able to make a sinful man holy in God's sight through His precious blood that cleanses from all sin. God richly blessed, and a distinct improvement was manifested in the conduct and atmosphere of our opening and closing periods.

A little motto was given for each week to encourage a spirit of kindness and obedience. One such was: J -esus first, O -thers second, Y -ourself last.

We had a ten-minute surprise period each day in which we attempted to bring some spiritual truth before the school. Each teacher was responsible for one day a week, the presentation being in the form of an object lesson, chalk talk, missionary news, character story, or facts about Palestine.

Mr. Roberts, the teacher for our boys, led us in many gospel choruses, new and old. One of our favorites this summer was:

I will trust Him in the shadow
I will trust Him in the light
I will cast on Him my burden
Walk by faith, and not by sight.
He invites my full surrender
He my Guide and Stay will be
I can trust in Him to keep His own
Thru all time and eternity.

Our memory period was conducted by Miss Rose, a teacher of our Mothers' Class, consisting of about thirty. During the memory period, she taught answers to questions on Old Testament History beginning with Abraham and running through to the return from captivity. These correlated with the Bible lessons. The Ten Commandments were memorized; also, the books of the Old Testament and a fact about the contents of each. This was indeed a thorough and most profitable course.

GOD BLESSES THE SEED

The school then parted into various rooms of the building where individual classes met their teachers. It was precious to hear Miss Fuchs' little tots singing God's praises or listening to stories from God's Word, under her fine supervision. The other departments of the school studied a strong course of Old Testament History. This was designed with the idea of showing God's dealings with Israel, their failures and His faithfulness. Many opportunities were afforded us to present the story of sin and its remedy; failure and its way to victory, giving over and over again the way to God through His dear Son. As each teacher leaned upon God for wisdom in presenting His blessed truth to these needy souls, God worked in our behalf. As an evidence of fruit, we praise Him for several who accepted Christ as their Messiah and Saviour for the first time, and for others whose faith and spiritual life was deepened as they grew in the knowledge of the Word. God's paths lie in pleasant places when we lean upon Him for wisdom. He faileth not!

It was my privilege to teach a group of eighteen intermediate girls. They were given an opportunity to express their reaction to the Bible School. I give here three types of answers to the questions "Are you saved?", "What has this Bible School meant to you?"

A girl who came for the first time to our Mission, said: "I have gotten word how to be saved by coming to Bible School, even though I have been in only two weeks." She accepted Jesus as her Saviour. Several others did likewise.

A girl who is undecided, said: "My skepticism lessened during these past two weeks though I have not yet accepted Him whole-heartedly. In other words, I have not yet arrived at a definite decision. I am still on the precipice of doubt." Pray for such as this